# "I LOVE YOU, BETH COOPER"

Larry Doyle's Legal Annotations to his First Draft, Dated July 13, 2007

All characters are annotated upon their first occurrence in the script, including characters who are named in stage directions or dialogue but who do not speak or appear.

Unless otherwise specified below, all town and street names are real and can be found in or near Buffalo Grove, Illinois.

## Scene: DENIS COOVERMAN'S BIG FACE P.1

Denis Cooverman is fictional. Some have speculated he is autobiographical, but I was an entirely different kind of geek. His neuroses, hypochondria and logorrhea are traits I acquired later in life.

I have an Uncle Dennis. Cooverman isn't even a real surname as far as I can determine.

## Scene: DENIS COOVERMAN'S BIG FACE P.1

The Sullen Girl is singing "Good Riddance" (Time of Your Life) by Green Day. The Sullen Girl is entirely fictional.

# Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.1

Buffalo Grove High School (hereafter "BGHS") is a real high school in Buffalo Grove, Illinois. I went to high school there from 1972-1976.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.1

Dr. Henneman is named after one of the founding families of Buffalo Grove (from the 1800s). She is otherwise fictional.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.1

I gave a speech at my high school graduation, but not this one.

### Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

I had a crush on a cheerleader named Beth in junior high. But I never knew her, and the character Beth Cooper is wholly fictional, based on my idea of an ideal high school girlfriend.

The character's surname, family, dating history, economic status and house location differ from the crush. The last named is derived from James Fenimore Cooper Junior High, which I attended.

Also, the movie is set in 2008, and I went to seventh Grade in 1970.

# Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

Miss Rosa was the name of my seventh grade math teacher. She is only mentioned in dialogue, with no characterization of her other than being math teacher.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

Sr. Weidner, the gay Spanish teacher, is fictional. He is named after a street in Buffalo Grove.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

Ms. Calumet Hobey is fictional. Her named in made up.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

Valli Woolly is fictional.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.2

Greg Saloga is fictional. He has the same last name as a girl I knew who committed suicide in the eighth grade in 1971. She did not have brother named Greq.

# Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.3

Becky Reese is fictional. She has my wife's first name.

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - GYMNASIUM P.3

Rich Munsch is fictional. His name is a dick joke. I knew a couple of gay guys in high school, but neither were close friends and neither acted or looked anything like Rich. (They were both name Jeff, interestingly)

## Scene: INT. BUFFALO GROVE HIGH SCHOOL - CAFETERIA P.3

Orange and Blue are BGHS's actual school colors.

# Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.4

Re: "Casablanca," et al. Rich's movie quotes are accurate and taken from real movies, and the attributions are accurate except where noted.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.4

Northwestern University is a real university, located north of Chicago.

# Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.4

Harper Community College is a real college, located in Rolling Meadows.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.5

Dr. Hennemen's description of career education offered by Harper's Community College is accurate.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.5

SAT stands for Scholastic Aptitude Test, a real standardized test adminstered by the Educational Testing Service.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.6

Cammy and Treece are both fictional. In the book, Cammy's last name comes from Louise May Alcott Elementary, and Treece's last name comes from Joyce Kilmer Elementary, two feeder schools to Cooper and BGHS.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.6

"Beth's Theme" is a placeholder for a new song to be added to the soundtrack, as are all musical cues, except where noted.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.8

www.mapquest.com is an internet service offering driving directions.

# Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.8

Google map is a service offered by Google, and internet concern.

## Scene: DENIS'S FLASHBACK P.8

Kevin Patrick Michaels is fictional. He is named for my brother, Kevin, with permission, and in no way resembles him.

#### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.11

Wasabi Lime Soy-tato chips are fictional.

### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.12

iPod is a digital music player produced by Apple, Inc.

## Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.12

iBox is fictional, as far as I know.

#### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.13

Denis's parents are entirely fictional.

#### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.16

Mr. C is partially quoting the movie, "Risky Business," as Rich subsequently notes.

### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.16

Dixie Krazy Kritter cups is a registered trademark of the Dixie company.

### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.16

"Girls Just Wanna Have Fun" is a Cyndi Lauper song. It has not yet been covered by the Scissor Sisters, as suggested in the script.

#### Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.17

Patty Keck is fictional. In junior high I once danced with Linda Keck; in high school I once made out with Patty Bauman. It was the Seventies.

## Scene: INT. DENIS'S HOUSE - KITCHEN P.22

Suzie Q is a creamy snackcake produced by the Hostess company.

# Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.25

Freixenet is a fine, lower priced sparkling wine.

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.25

Cristal is a fine, expensive champagne. It does not have a Black Label brand as far as I know.

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.28

"NC-17" is a registered trademark of Motion Picture Association of America.

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.29

Chubby Hubby and Chunky Monkey are two flavors of Ben and Jerry's brand ice cream. Treece gets the name wrong here.

# Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.33

Seals and Croft's "We Shall Never Pass This Way Again" is a hit song from the Seventies.

# Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.33

The Beach Boys' "Graduation Day" is a over of The Fleetwoods hit from the Fifties.

# Scene: INT. HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.34

This is a reference to the H1, the first Hummer based on the Humvee military vehicle.

# Scene: INT. HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.34

Sean is fictional. He is named after my brother Kevin's son, with permission.

## Scene: INT. FOYER P.35

Dustin is fictional. He is named after my brother Kevin's stepbrother, Dustin.

# Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.37

Durex is a brand of condoms.

## Scene: INT. DENIS'S BEDROOM P.38

X-Wing Starfighters are toys based on the "Star Wars" film franchise, created by George Lucas.

### Scene: INT. DENIS'S BEDROOM P.38

There is a poster of Einstein sticking out his thumb, but I don't know who owns it.

## Scene: INT. DENIS'S BEDROOM

"Futurama" is an animated series created by Matt Groening and David X. Cohen, which was mischeduled and prematurely cancelled by the Fox network.

### Scene: EXT. BACKYARD P.40

Kimberly the dog is fictional.

#### Scene: EXT. BACKYARDS OF HACKBERRY DRIVE P.41

Coach Raupp is fictional. He is named after a street in Buffalo Grove.

## Scene: EXT. RAIN-FOREST PLAYGROUND P.41

The Rain-Forest themed Playground is fictional.

# Scene: EXT. RAIN-FOREST PLAYGROUND P.42

Cabriolet is a make of a compact car.

## Scene: INT. DRIVER'S ED CAR - THE PREVIOUS YEAR P.43

Victoria Smeltzer is fictional.

## Scene: EXT. DESERTED ROAD P.45

Prius is hybrid vehicle produced by Toyota.

### Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.46

Janis Ian's "At Seventeen" was a hit song in the Seventies.

#### Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.46

Oingo Boingo's "Weird Science" is on the soundtrack of the John Hughes' movie of the same name.

### Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.46

Alice Cooper's "School's Out" was a hit single in the Seventies.

#### Scene: EXT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - PARKING LOT P.47

White Hen Pantry is a chain of convenience stores, primarily in the Midwest.

## Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.47

Beth Cooper's "Hello" panties are invented.

# Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY P.48

Denis' description of Beth Cooper's eyes match an old girlfriend, who was not named Beth or Cooper and who otherwise bears no relationship to the character.

### Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - SNACK AISLE P.49

PBR Tall Boys are 20-oz cans of Pabst Blue Ribbon brand beer.

## Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - SNACK AISLE P.49

Molson Dark is a brand of dark beer.

## Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - SNACK AISLE P.50

Aunt Brenda is named for my sister, Brenda.

### Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - FRONT OF STORE P.50

American Man magazine is invented.

## Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - FRONT OF STORE

Details is a men's lifestyle magazine owned by Conde Nast.

### Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - FRONT OF STORE P.51

Wham! was a popular group in the 1980s.

## Scene: INT. WHITE HEN PANTRY - COUNTER P.52

The Loser Clerk is fictional.

## Scene: HIGH SCHOOL HAUNTS - MONTAGE P.55

Jewel Foods is a chain of grocery stores, mostly in the Midwest.

# Scene: HIGH SCHOOL HAUNTS - MONTAGE P.55

Blockbuster is a national retail chain offering movie rentals and concession foods.

## Scene: HIGH SCHOOL HAUNTS - MONTAGE P.55

AMC is a national chain of movie theaters.

#### Scene: HIGH SCHOOL HAUNTS - MONTAGE P.55

Pay-Less is a national retail chain specializing in shoes.

### Scene: EXT. OLD TOBACCO ROAD - NIGHT P.56

There was once a road near Buffalo Grove called "Tobacco Road," but it is long gone. I was once a passenger in a car which drove at high speed at night with the headlights off, as depicted in the script. However, none of the other passengers or riders resemble any of the characters here. The driver was a football player, as I recall.

## Scene: EXT. OLD TOBACCO ROAD - NIGHT

Simple Mind's "Don't You (Forget About Me)" appears on the soundtrack of John Hughes "Breakfast Club," as Rich later notes.

## Scene: EXT. OLD TOBACCO ROAD - NIGHT P.58

"Beth" is a popular Eighties monster ballad by the band KISS.

# Scene: EXT. OLD TOBACCO ROAD P.58

Treece's stepmother, "Bitchtricia," is fictional.

## Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.60

Claudia Confer is the name of a cheerleader I went to high school with. She was delighted to give permission to use her name.

#### Scene: INT. CABRIOLET P.62

The seventh grade yearbook entry ("To a smart kid...") matches one in my yearbook written by the girl I had a crush on.

## Scene: BETH'S STORY P.65

The Mystery Machine appears in the Seventies animated series "Scooby Doo, Where Are You?" as well as the recent hit movies.

## Scene: BETH'S STORY P.65

Aerosmith's "Sweet Emotion" opens the soundtrack of Rick Linklater's "Dazed and Confused."

## Scene: HIPPIE CHICK'S STORY

Bill Hailey and the Comets' "Rock Around the Clock" opens the soundtrack of George Lucas's "American Graffiti."

## Scene: INT. T-BIRD P.66

Wolfman Jack was a popular radio disc jockey, who appeared in "American Grafitti. " He is dead.

## Scene: INT. T-BIRD P.66

The Surfari's "Wipeout" was a hit single in the Sixties.

## Scene: INT. CABRIOLET/EXT. OLD TOBACCO ROAD P.67

Pink Floyd's "Another Brick in the Wall" was a hit single from the eponymous album in the late Seventies.

## Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE P.70

The Bison is the BGHS mascot.

## Scene: INT. HALLWAY P.71

The African-American student is fictional.

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.72

The Sullen Girl is singing an unusual cover of Alice Cooper's "School's Out."

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.74

Divya Gupta is fictional.

## Scene: INT. KITCHEN P.76

Hooters is a national restaurant chain that serves brassiere fare.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.76

Big Drunk Girl is fictional.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.76

Big Drunk Girl is singing "I Will Remember You," a recent hit song by Sarah McLachlan.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.76

Shy Girl is fictional.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - FOYER P.77

The DJ is fictional.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - FOYER P.77

MacBook is a laptop computer produced by Apple, Inc.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.80

Tomoyasu Hotei's "Battle Without Honor or Humanity" appeared most recently on the soundtrack of Quentin Tarntino's "Kill Bill."

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.83

The Jaded Youth is fictional.

Scene: INT. VALLI WOOLLY'S HOUSE - LIVING ROOM P.83

The Teen Boy is fictional.

# Scene: EXT./INT. HUMMER - ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ROAD P.84

"We Are The [Bison]" is a cheerleading standard.

### Scene: INT. BGHS - GYMNASIUM - NIGHT P.85

"Yell [Orange], Yell [Blue]" is a cheerleading standard.

### Scene: INT. BGHS - GIRL'S LOCKER ROOM P.89

"Heeeere's Johnny!" is an unattributed quote from Stanley Kubrick's "The Shining," which itself was lifted from Ed McMahon's introduction for "The Tonight Show with Johnny Carson."

#### Scene: INT. BGHS - GIRL'S LOCKER ROOM P.89

Lojack is the brand name for a vehicle theft protection system.

## Scene: INT. BGHS - GIRL'S LOCKER ROOM STAIRWELL P.90

The "Raiders of the Lost Ark Theme" is from the JOhn Williams score of Steven Spielberg's "Raiders of the Lost Ark."

## Scene: EXT./INT. ROAD/CABRIOLET P.95

"Comfort minis" is a brand of tampons.

# Scene: INT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN P.101

Playboy is a trademark.

### Scene: INT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN P.101

The Booby Mug is probably trademarked by somebody.

#### Scene: INT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN P.101

World's Greatest Dad Trophy is probably tradmarked by someone.

### Scene: INT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN P.103

The Hamlet quote is in the public domain, me thinks.

# Scene: EXT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN

Maine North High School no longer exists. After it was shut down, it was used as the set for "The Breakfast Club."

### Scene: EXT. TREECE'S FATHER'S CABIN P.114

Rich quotes the movie "Dirty Harry" here ("You gotta ask yourself...")

# Scene: EXT. SHORE - MOMENTS LATER P.118

"Clark Kent" and "Batman" are both trademarks of DC Comics. However, Treece is mistaken. Clark Kent turns into Superman and millionaire philanthropist Bruce Wayne turns into Batman.

### Scene: EXT. 706 HACKBERRY DRIVE P.121

This was my actual address in Arlington Heights, Illinois, when I was in high school. It will be deleted in future drafts.